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Trevor Joseph, SGM Section Chief
California Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 942836
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Dear Mr. Joseph:

Pursuant to Water Code Section 10727.8 and California Code of Regulations Section 353.6, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) is hereby given notice that the Delano-Earlimart Irrigation District GSA (DEID GSA) intends to commence with the development of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the DEID GSA's service area within the Tule Subbasin (DWR Bulletin 118; Basin number 5-022.13). The DEID GSA is an exclusive GSA, which was effective December 11, 2016. The GSP will be one of multiple plans implemented by multiple GSAs and coordinated to a single coordination agreement compliant with Section 10727.6. The coordinated plans will cover the entire Tule Subbasin.

The DEID GSA has been holding monthly stakeholder meetings for the purposes of (1) educating stakeholders on SGMA-related matters, and (2) gaining input on critical elements of the GSP that will be written and implemented for the DEID GSA. Notification of each meeting is part of a monthly SGMA newsletter that the DEID GSA publishes and sends to over 400 interested parties. All stakeholders are invited and encouraged to attend the monthly meeting, which is the primary method that stakeholder input is gathered for consideration in writing the GSP.

We encourage broad participation of all stakeholders and continue to seek opportunities for expanding stakeholder involvement. Our stakeholder notification list contains all parties that have expressed an interest in participating and is routinely updated as necessary (Water Code Section 10723.2). Also, pursuant to California Code of Regulations 353.6, we have also posted information about the DEID GSA and SGMA-related information on the Delano-Earlimart Irrigation website, www.deid.org.

Please call the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. R. Quinley", is written over the typed name.

Eric R. Quinley
General Manager